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Serial Number : 08/118,475  
Filing Date : September 9, 1993  
Examiner : G. DelCotto  
Group Art Unit : 1105  
For : ELECTRICALLY CONDUCTIVE  
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Sir:

As part of Applicants' routine update on cases filed, Applicants' attorney contacted the Examiner in charge of this case on August 14, 2006 to inquire as to the status of the above-identified application. He was advised, *inter alia*, that the application had been abandoned for Applicants' failure to provide formal corrected drawings. The address of the Attorney of Record was 15 Alameda Place, Mount Vernon, NY 10552 and no such abandonment notice was ever received at that address.

Applicants' file on this application indicate that proper papers were in fact concurrently filed timely, including the authorization to charge the final fee on the PTOL 85B form, a cover letter of transmittal and the requested formal drawings. These documents are enclosed as Exhibits A - C respectively. A copy of the stamped post card receipt is enclosed as Exhibit D

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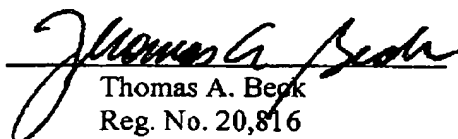
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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: August 14, 2006



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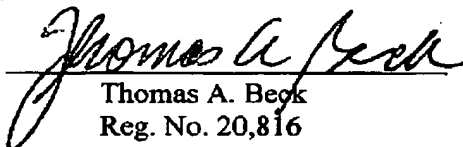
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Sir:

Please review and insert the enclosed nine sheets of drawings (Figures 1 - 11) into this case.

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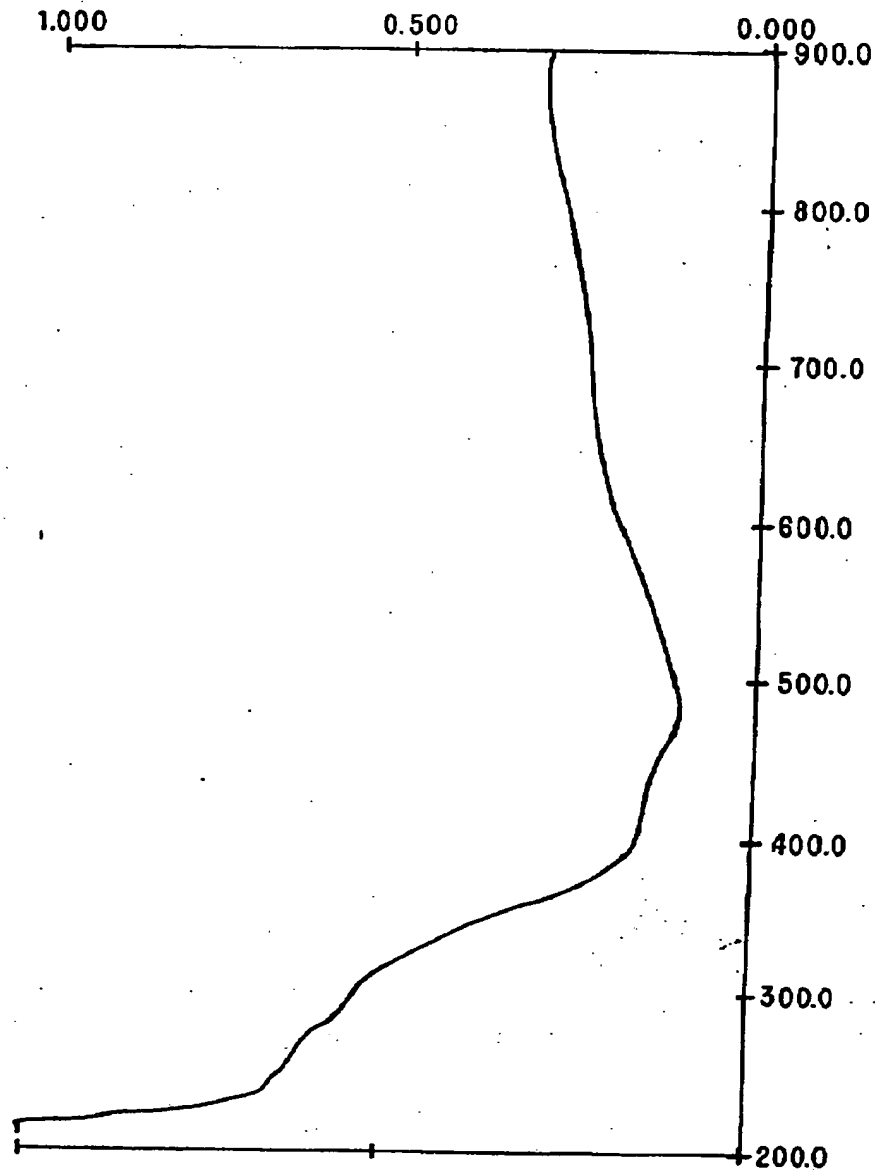
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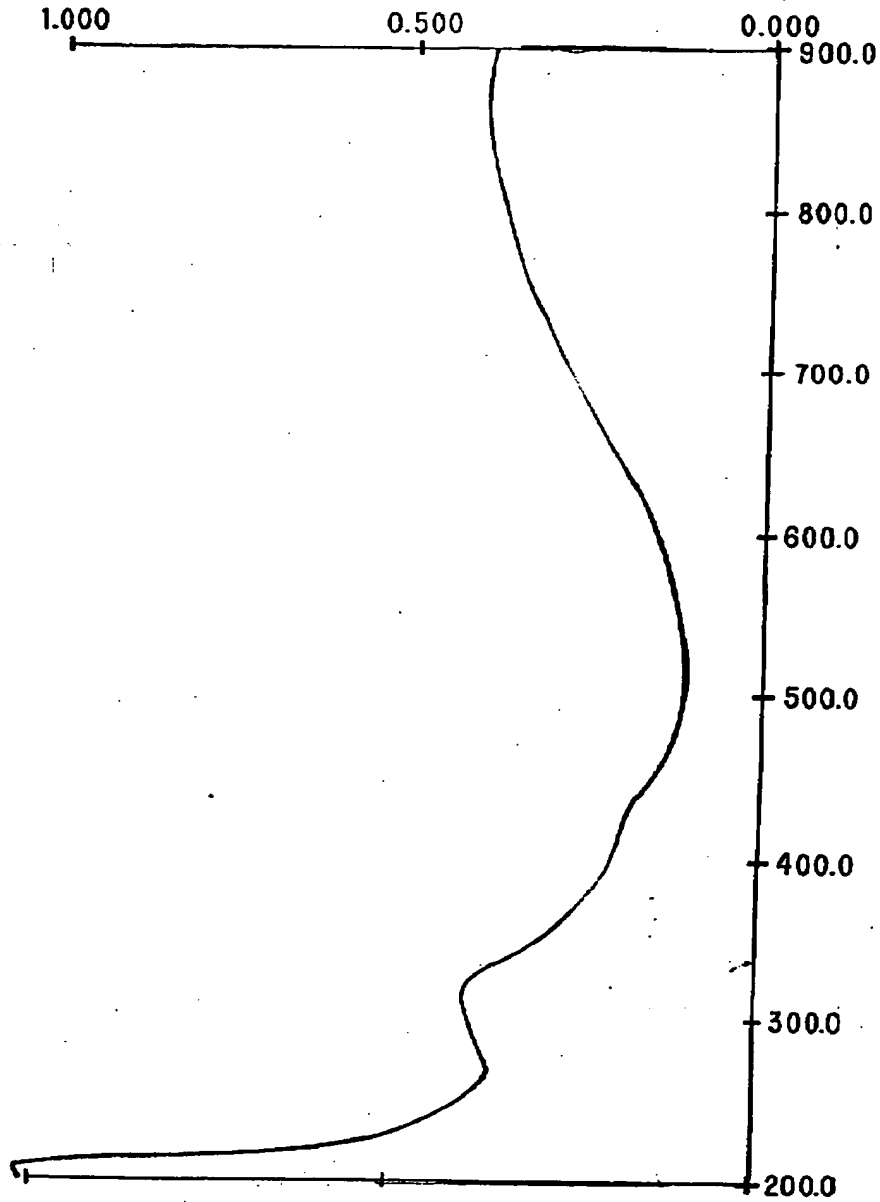
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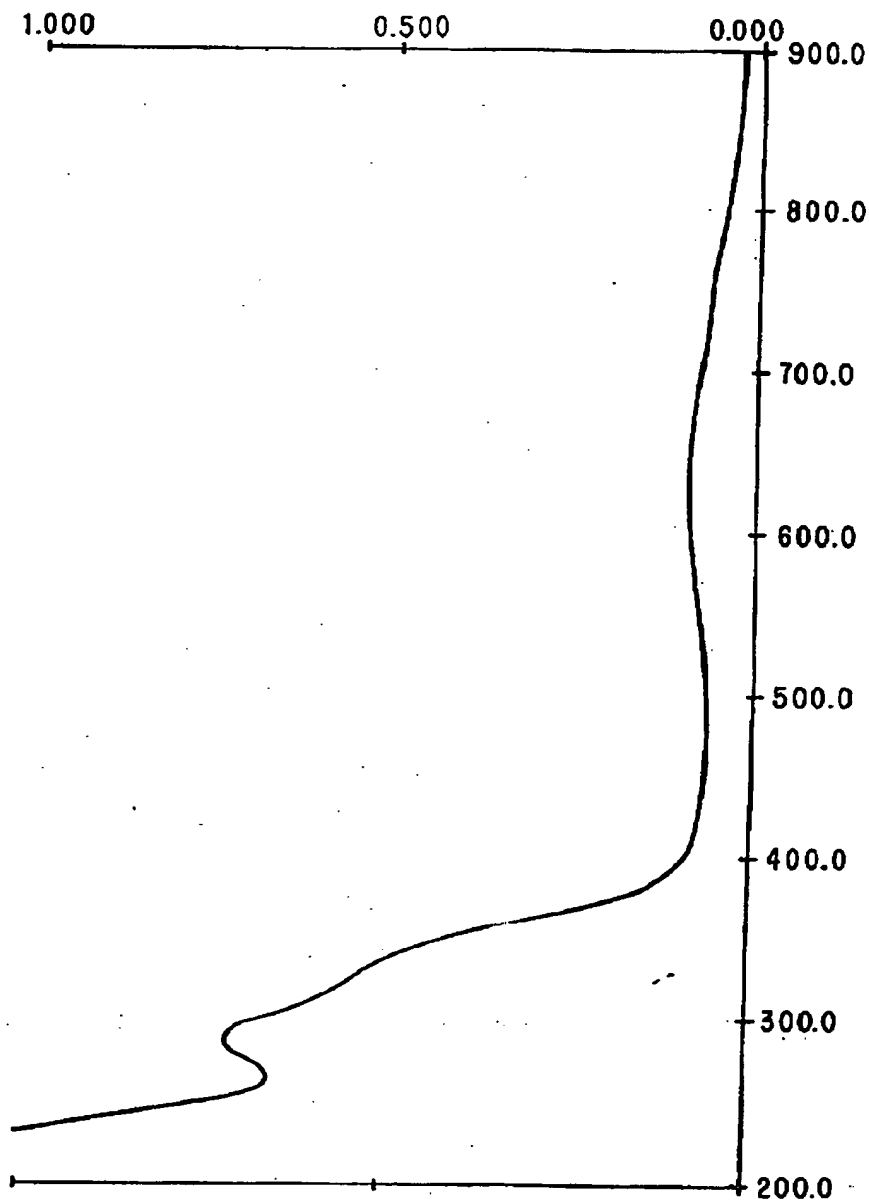
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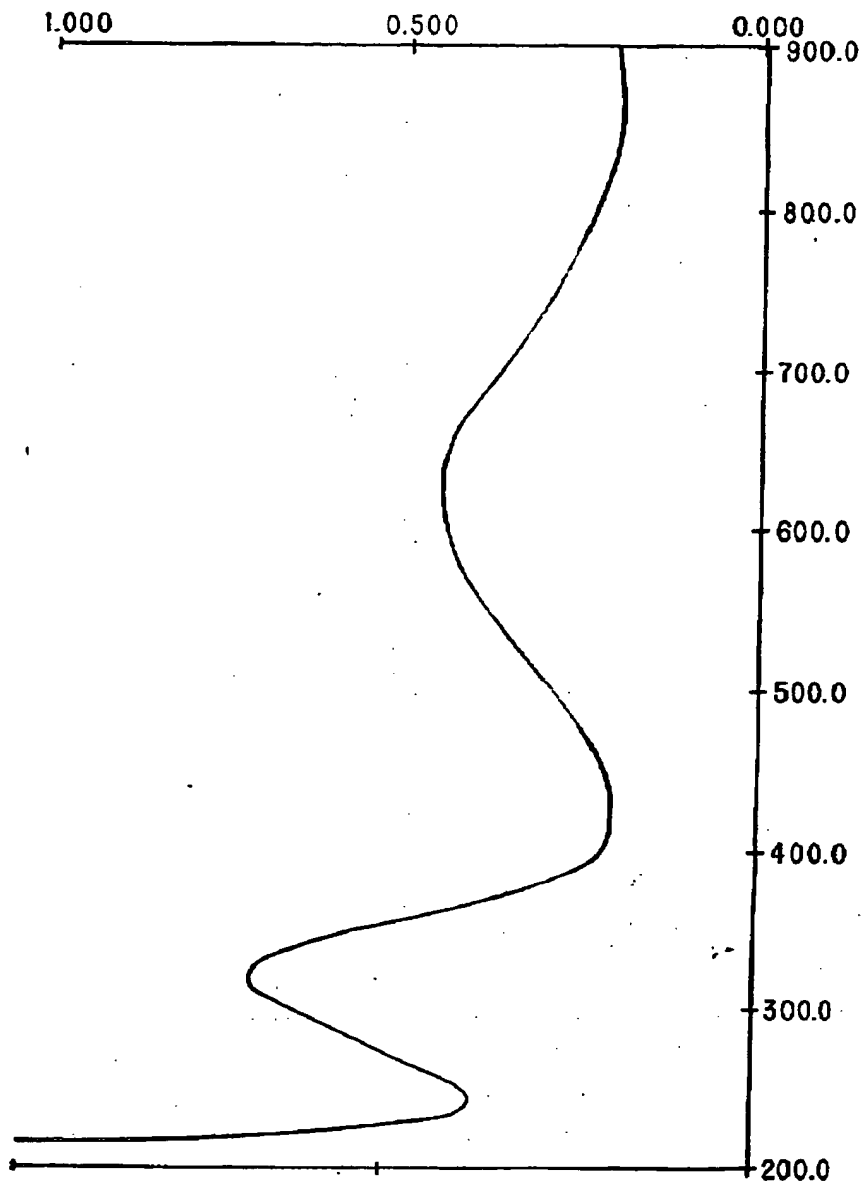


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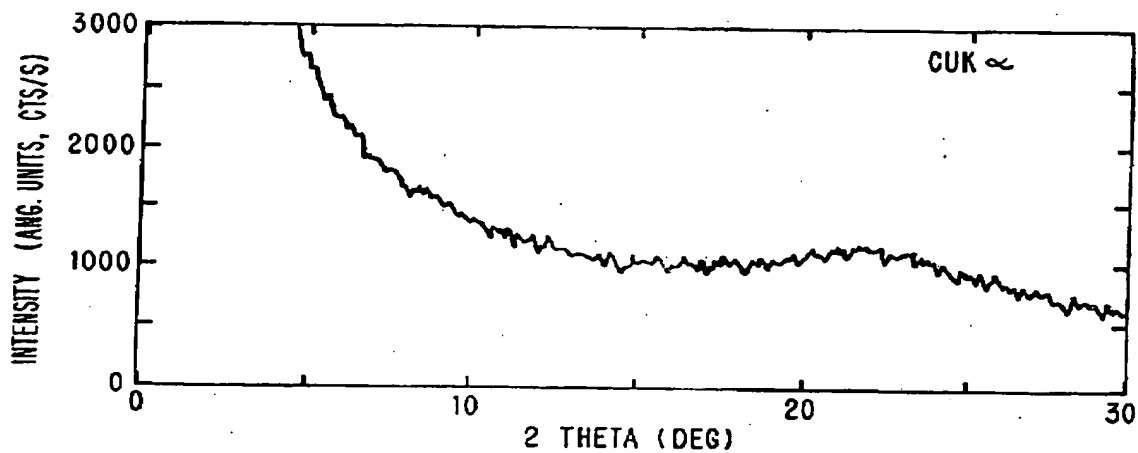
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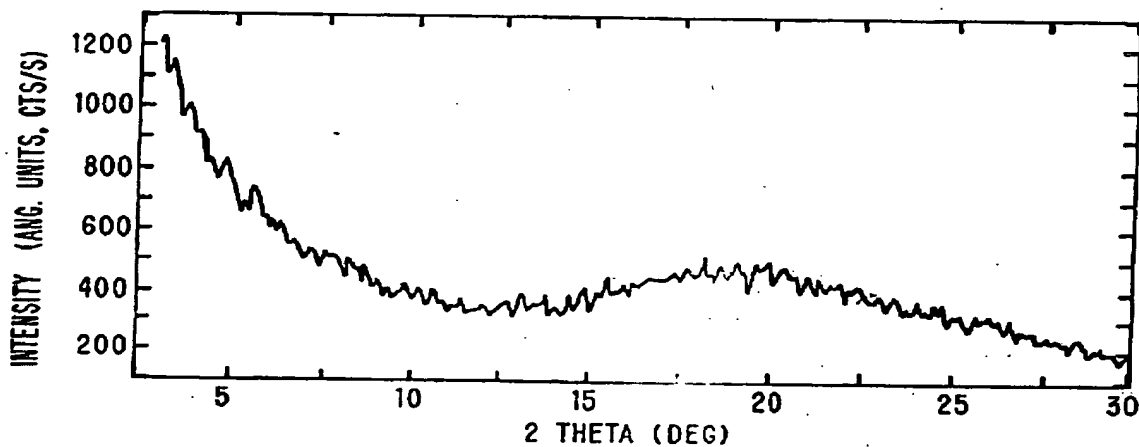


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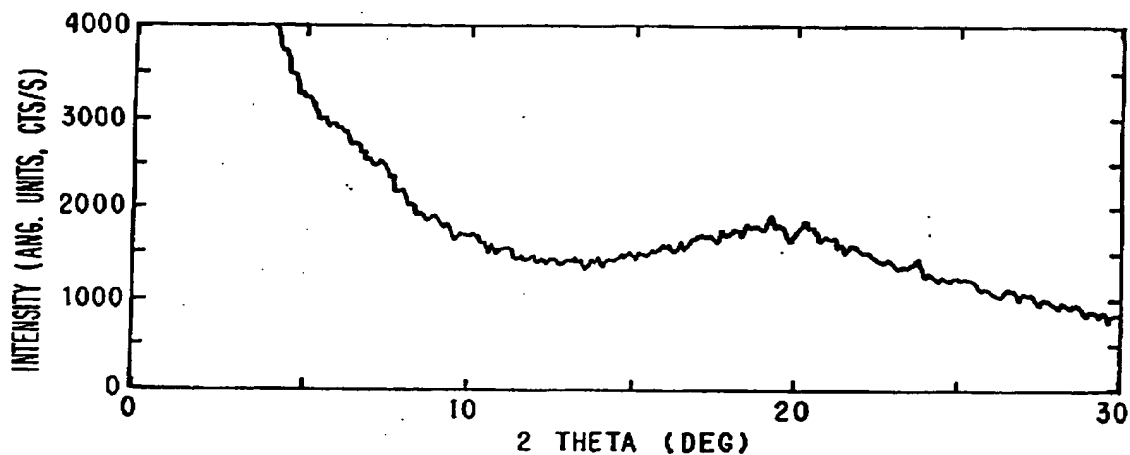


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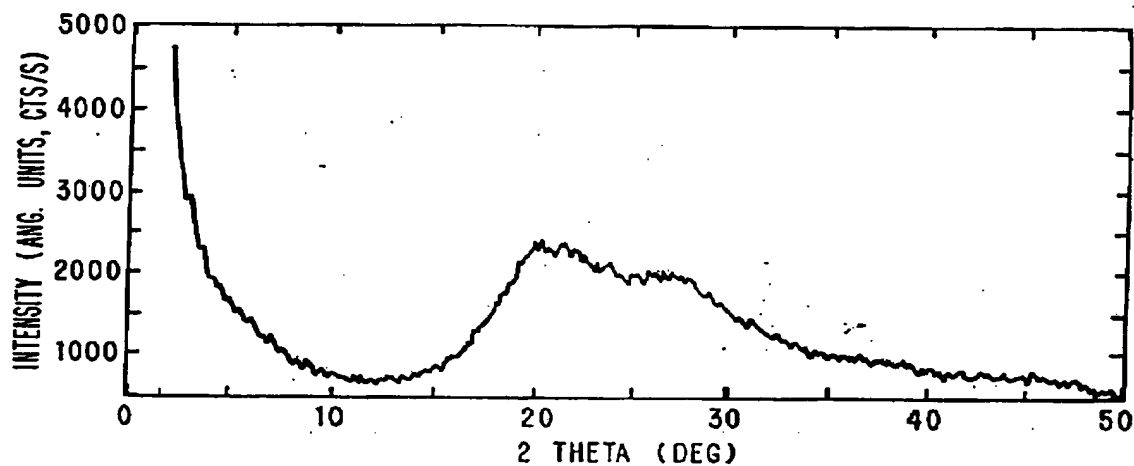
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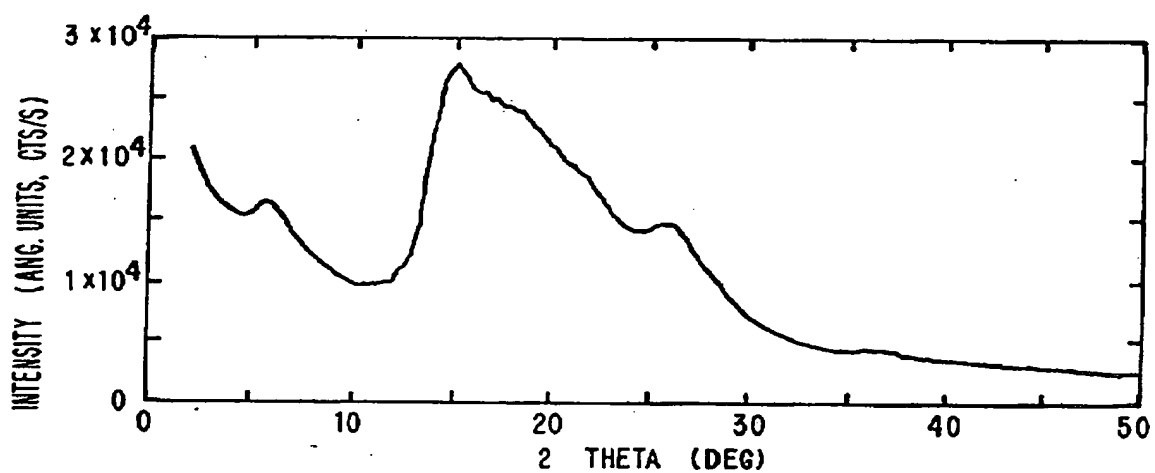


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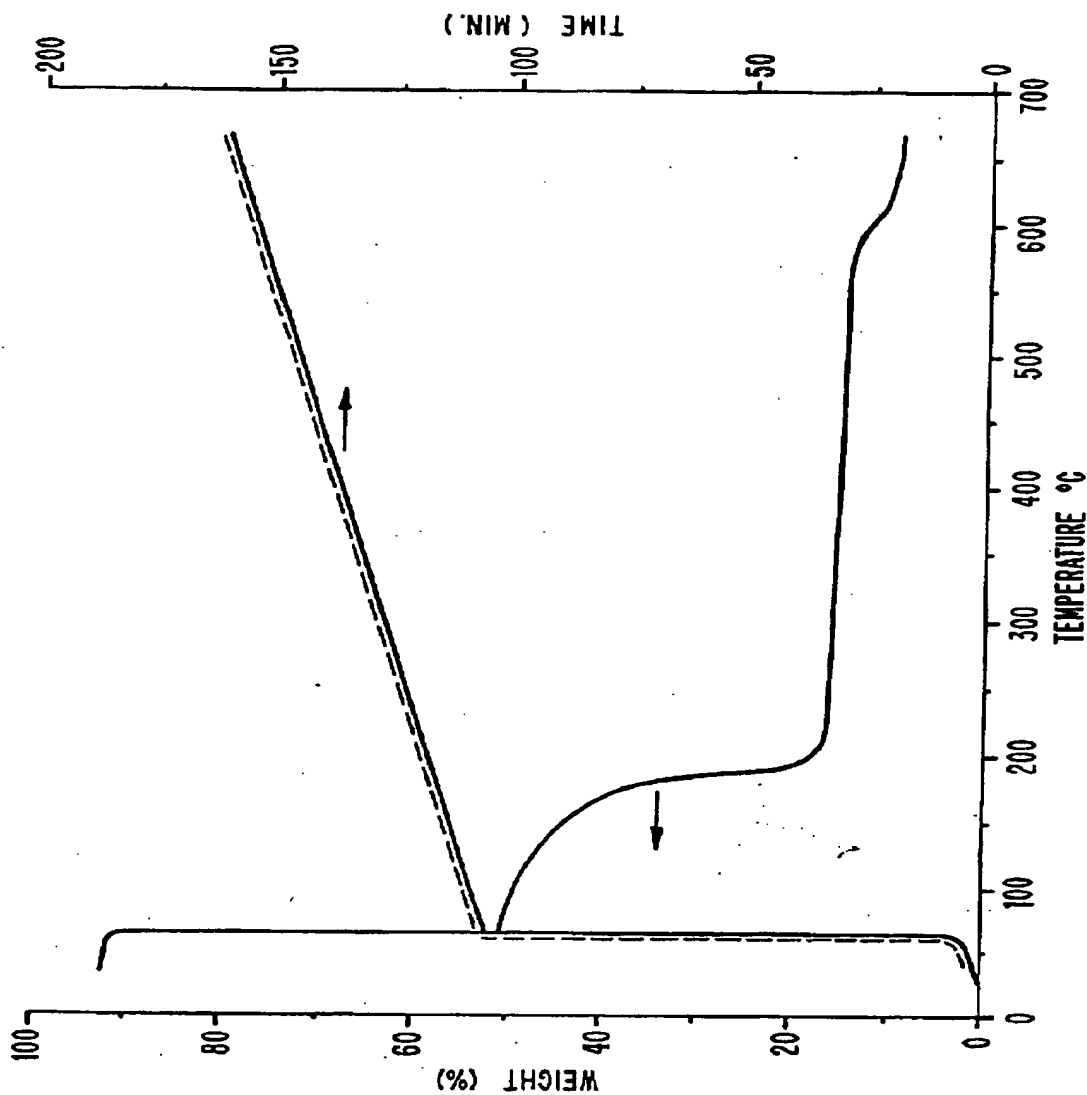


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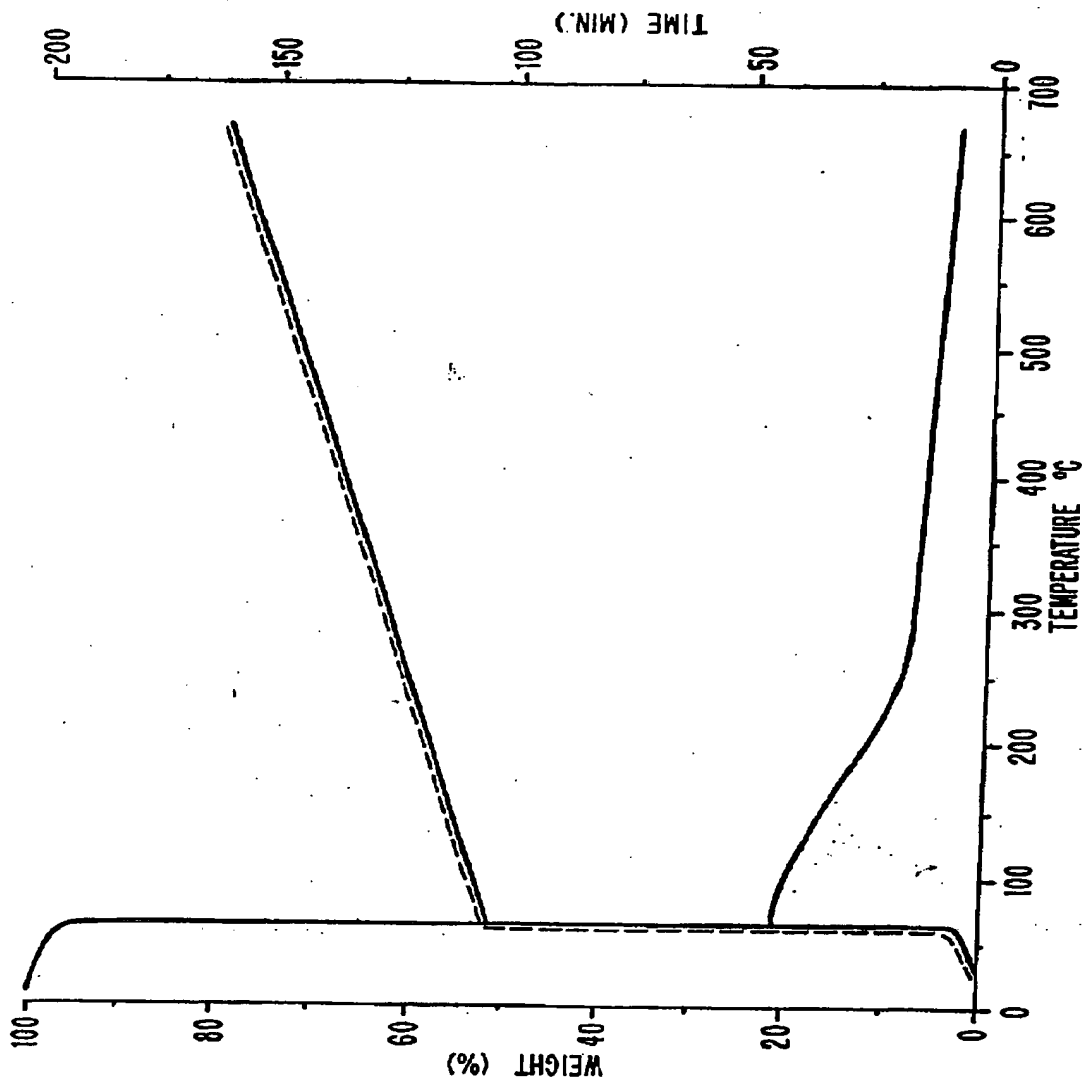


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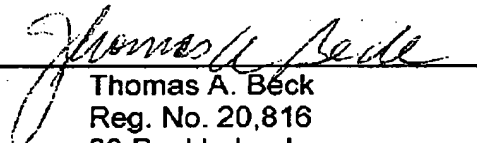
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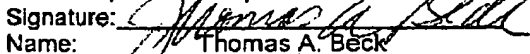
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